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ALL-COUNTY LETTER NO. 81-67

TO: ALL COUNTY WELFARE DIRECTORS

SUBJECT: CUBAN/HAITIAN ENTRANT PROGRAM (CHEP)

REFERENCE: ALL-COUNTY LETTERS NO. 81-39 AND 81-45

This letter is being issued to advise the counties that eligibility for CHEP program benefits has been extended to those Cubans and Haitians who arrived in the United States since October 10, 1980, and who possess an Immigration and Naturalization Service (INS) form indicating noncurrent status.

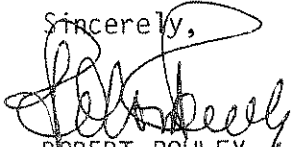
Recently, this Department received a copy of the Cuban/Haitian Entrant Program Operating Manual published by the Cuban/Haitian Task Force under the United States Department of Health and Human Services. This manual has relayed the current federal policy that expired parole status does not adversely affect eligibility under CHEP unless a final nonappealable, and legally enforceable order of exclusion or deportation has been entered against the entrant. Cuban and Haitian entrants with expired parole status should be encouraged to maintain contact with INS to ensure timely processing of immigration documents.

This change in policy is due to recent policy being established by the Cuban/Haitian Task Force and the federal office of the INS. INS has been unable to update all expired INS statuses on a timely basis; therefore, in order not to adversely affect eligible Cubans and Haitians, this current policy has been released.

Please modify the second definition of persons eligible on page two of All-County Letter No. 81-39, dated April 10, 1981, by deleting the word "current" in the first sentence and striking the second sentence.

Questions regarding this letter should be directed to SDSS, Office of Refugee Services at (916) 322-3141 or (ATSS) 492-3141.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in dark ink, appearing to read 'Robert Rowley', written over the printed name.

ROBERT ROWLEY  
Chief Deputy Director

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